**Angol nyelv-vetélkedő/English Language Competition**

**Országos döntő/National finals**

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**PART I. USE OF ENGLISH**

1. For questions **1-10**, read the text below and decide which answer **(A, B, C** or **D)** best fits each gap. **(10 points)**

**THE BEGINNINGS OF FLIGHT**

The story of man's mastery of the air is almost as old as man himself, a puzzle in which the essential clues were not found until a very late stage. However, to (1) ……... this we must first go back to the time when primitive man (2) ……... his food, and only birds and insects flew. We cannot know with any certainty when man first deliberately shaped weapons for throwing, but that (3) …….... of conscious design marked the first step on a road that (4) …….... from the spear and the arrow to the aeroplane and the giant rocket of the present (5) ........... .

It would seem, in fact, that this (6) …….... to throw things is one of the most primitive and deep-seated of our instincts, (7) ……... in childhood and persisting into old age. The more mature ambition to throw things swiftly and accurately, which is the origin of most (8) ……. games, probably has its roots in the ages when the possession of a (9) ……... weapon and the ability to throw it with force and accuracy (10) .......... the difference between eating and starving. It was to be centuries before man himself could fly.

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| **1 A** value | **B** approve | | **C** | understand | | | **D** | resolution | | |
| **2 A** pursued | **B** hunted for | | **C** | chased | | | **D** | followed up | | |
| **3 A** act | **B** deep | | **C** | action | | | **D** | event | | |
| **4 A** brings | **B** moves | | **C** | takes | | | **D** | leads | | |
| **5 A** instant | **B** day | | **C** | hour | | | **D** | moment | | |
| **6 A** feeling | **B** urge | | **C** | encouragement | | | **D** | emotion | | |
| 7 **A** coming | **B** arriving | | **C** | appearing | | | **D** | growing | | |
| **8 A** exterior | **B** outside | | **C** | external | | | **D** | outdoor | | |
| **9 A** suitable | **B** fitting | | **C** | related | | | **D** | chosen | | |
| **10 A** involved | **B** meant | | **C** | told | | | **D** | showed | | |
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1. For questions **1-10,** read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only **one** word in each gap.

**(10 points)**

**WHY ARE SUNGLASSES COOL?**

Sunglasses are heavily associated (1) ………. images of celebrity. Sunglasses are cool, and it is a cool that seems set (2) ……… endure. Have you ever wondered why this should be?

The roots of sunglasses are anything (3) ……... glamorous, however. Amber-tinted spectacles first appeared in the nineteenth century and were a medical remedy for people (4) ……….. eyes were oversensitive to light.

The first mass-produced versions, made by Sam Foster (5) ……… Foster Grant fame, were sold in the 1920s in US seaside resorts. (6) …………. this point, however, they remained functional objects, and were yet to acquire the cool image they now enjoy.

This (7) ….…… about thanks to the US air force. In the 1930s, airmen started to wear anti-glare glasses called ‘aviators’. In the early days of flight, these men were regarded (8) ………. heroes.

Down on the ground, actors keen to cash (9) ………on a little of that glory realised that sunglasses created an intriguing image. So it (10) ……... that the link between the fascination of celebrity and a pair of sunglasses was forged.

1. For questions **1 -10**, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap **in the same line**.

**(10 points)**

**SLEEPING IN SPACE**

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| Space travel is actually a lot more problematicthan we assume; for example, would you sleep inside a(n) **(1)** .......................... balloon? That, in essence, is what astronauts at International Space Station could be doing in the not too distant future. Faced with the problem of less than **(2)** .......................... living and working compartments, ingenious scientists came up with a(n) **(3) ……….** new idea. The Transit Habitation Module is made from **(4) ………….** fabrics, which, when packed up, can fit snugly inside the space shuttle for **(5)** ........................... **.** When it is finally positioned in space, it expands like a balloon to double its volume. Woven from the same **(6) ………….** fibres that are used to make Kevlar, worn by police officers and soldiers, the modules are strong enough to withstand most space **(7)** …………… . Folding floors and walls lock into position to provide instant (**8)** ……………. . Sleeping quarters are double-walled, and the gaps are filled with water. This protects **(9)** ……………from radiation as well as keeping the noise to a **(10)** ........................... . The final module is amazing ~ the cutting edge of space technology~. | **INFLATE**  **SPACE**  **CONTROVERSY**  **FLEX**  **TRANSPORT**  **BREAK**    **COLLIDE**  **ACCOMMODATE**  **INHABIT**  **MINIMISE** |

1. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **DO NOT CHANGE** the word given. You must use between **three** and **six** words, including the word given. **(20 points)**
2. I'm sure Sarah didn't mean to hurt your feelings.

**INTENTION**

I'm sure Sarah ..................................................................................................... your feelings.

1. Andrew's behaviour was unforgivable.

**EXCUSE**

There's …. ……. Andrew behaved.

1. We need the public's support for the project to work.

**SUCCEED**

Whether the project………………………………………………...…. on the public's support.

1. I usually drink a cup of coffee first thing in the morning.

**HABIT**

I am …………. a cup of coffee first thing in the morning.

1. 'Why don't you go to the dentist's, Steve?' said his wife.

**SUGGESTED**

Steve's wife ……..……to the dentist's.

1. Could you please pass me my book?

**KIND**

Would …………....as to pass me my book?

1. There isn't much chance that Sue will win the race.

**PROSPECTS**

Sue's …….……quite slim.

1. Ken's lies completely deceived me.

**TAKEN**

I ........................................................... …………. Ken’s lies.

1. He always gives the impression that he's very confident.

**ACROSS**

He always ……. very confident.

1. He didn't forget any of his lines on stage.

**ONCE**

Not …. his lines on stage

**PART II. WRITING**

1. **REPORT**

You have been helping to run a new film club at your school. Now the school principal wants to get more people involved with the club and attract new members. The club organizer has asked you to write a report for the principal, outlining what the club currently does, explaining the club’s future plans and suggesting ways of getting more people involved with the film club.

Write your report in **180-240 words**.

**(50 points)**